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Chuck E. Atkins, Sheriff

May 23, 2018

Gentleman;

As you know I have been transitioning some of my duties to Cmdr. Kimberly Beltran due to my retirement. Cmdr. Beltran and I have been meeting with [REDACTED] to insure a smooth transition of duties. Several months ago we had discussions regarding the mental health services CCS was providing. My analogy from our previous discussions was CCS has always referred to Clark County as their flag ship on the west coast. During our discussions I communicated to you that your flag ship was taking on water and in danger of sinking. This is directly related to CCS's inability to staff and provide mental health services from 1/12/18 as required by the contract.

Yesterday I learned that the long awaited ARNP we have been waiting on is not starting on May 29th as had been previously indicated. I now understand that the ARNP candidate's earliest start date is now scheduled for some time after August 20, 2018 if he can be licensed in the State of Washington.

The Mental Health Professional coverage (MHP) remains in question as we are still down two full time MHPs from the first week of March. We have two PRN MHPS that collectively work approximately 32-40 hours a week. We also have one Mental Health coordinator who is working 40 hours a week. Per our contract we should be providing 137 hours weekly of MHPs (including MHC). Last week we provided roughly 68 hours of MHP coverage.

As of this date, we have 58 patients waiting to be seen by the ARNP plus an additional 72 people who are still waiting to be seen by the MHPs. Some of these people have been waiting since May 14th to be seen. The flagship is turning into a submarine, we are listing 18 degrees to port and the emergency pumps are failing. The only people keeping us afloat are the H.S.A and the D.O.N.

It is painfully obvious that there is a disconnect somewhere in the communication process at the corporate level or other levels of management within CCS. I would like to know what your plan is to rectify this situation. I would appreciate an explanation of how you are going to resolve these issues with specific target dates. I await your response.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike A." followed by a stylized surname.

Cmdr. Mike Anderson